CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA)

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SUPPLEMENTARY AND OTHER INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

June 30, 2014

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CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

OFFICIALS

Name	<u>Title</u>	Term Expires
	(Before April 1, 2014)	
Clay Gavin	Chairman	Mar 31, 2018
Merlin McDermott Alan Reiter	Trustee Trustee	Mar 31, 2014 Mar 31, 2016
Ron Benke	Utility Manager	Indefinite
	(After March 31, 2014)	
Clay Gavin	Chairman	Mar 31, 2018
Alan Reiter Barbara Gross	Trustee Trustee	Mar 31, 2016 Mar 31, 2020
Ron Benke	Utility Manager	Indefinite

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees
Cascade Municipal Utilities:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business type activities, and each major fund of Cascade Municipal Utilities (a component unit of the city of Cascade, Iowa), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the Utilities' basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1. This includes determining the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. This includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Utilities' preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Utilities' internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the business type activities and each major fund of Cascade Municipal Utilities as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis of Accounting

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Cascade Municipal Utilities' basic financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 and 2 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the

basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The other information, Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Information on pages 7 through 11 and 22 through 23, has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated January 9, 2015 on our consideration of Cascade Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering the Cascade Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Elkader, Iowa

January 9, 2015

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CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Cascade Municipal Utilities (the Utility) provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Utility's financial statements which follow.

2013 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Receipts of the Utility's business type activities increased 7.2%, or approximately \$217,000 from fiscal year 2013 to fiscal 2014.
- Disbursements of the Utility's business type activities increased 7.3%, or approximately \$ 207,000, in fiscal year 2014 from fiscal year 2013. Operating disbursements increased approximately \$ 283,000, while capital project disbursements decreased approximately \$ 72,000.
- The Utility's total cash basis net position increased 7.9%, or approximately \$ 193,000 from June 30, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the Utility's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position. This statement provides information about the activities of the Utility as a whole and presents an overall view of the Utility's finances.

The Fund Financial Statement tells how government services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statement reports the Utility's operations in more detail than the government-wide statement by providing information about the Utility's most significant funds.

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Other Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the Utility's budget for the year.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the Utility's long-term debt.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Utility maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the Utility are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivables, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, readers should keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

REPORTING THE UTILITIES' FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the Utility's finances is "Is the Utility, as a whole, better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information which helps answer this question.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the Utility's net position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Utility's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Utility is improving or deteriorating.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position includes only business type activities. Business type activities include the electric works and natural gas system. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The Utility has only proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are used to account for the Utility's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The Utility maintains two Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for electric and gas funds, considered to be major funds of the Utility.

The required financial statement for proprietary funds is a Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The Utility's cash balance for business type activities increased from a year ago, increasing from approximately \$ 2.445 million to approximately \$ 2.638 million. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash balances for business type activities.

Changes in Cash B	asis Net Position of Business Type Activitie	S
	(Expressed in Thousands)	

		Year End 2014	ed June 30, 2013
Receipts:			
Program receipts:			
Charges for service:			
Electric	\$	1,904	1,842
Gas		1,192	993
General receipts:			
Unrestricted interest on investments		18	20
Miscellaneous	-	107	149
Total receipts		3,221	3,004
Disbursements:			
Electric		1,965	2,105
Gas		1,063	716
Total disbursements	-	3,028	2,821
Change in cash basis net position		193	183
Cash basis net position beginning of year		2,445	2,262
Cash basis net position end of year	\$	2,638	2,445

Total business type activities receipts for the fiscal year were approximately \$ 3.221 million compared to approximately \$ 3.004 million last year. This increase was primarily due to increased utility usage due to a harsh 2014 winter. The cash balance increased approximately \$ 193,000. Total disbursements for the fiscal year increased 7.3% to approximately \$ 3.028 million. This increase was again the result of increased utility usage.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

The Enterprise, Electric Fund cash balance increased \$ 44,169 to \$ 933,380, due to a decrease in capital project disbursements.

The Enterprise, Gas Fund cash balance increased \$ 148,546 to \$ 1,704,738, which is \$ 151,391 less than the 2013 increase. The gas fund spent approximately \$ 38,000 more for line extensions in 2014.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the Utility did not amend its budget.

The Utility's receipts were \$ 128,433 more than budgeted. Disbursements were \$ 85,434 less than budgeted.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2014, the Utility had \$ 1,745,000 in revenue notes outstanding as compared to \$ 1,880,000 last year.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET AND RATES

Cascade Municipal Utilities' appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2015 budget and fees that will be charged for various Utility activities. One of those factors is the economy Over the last 40 years, Cascade's population has increased 415 to 2159 and that trend is expected to continue. The local economy seems to be improving as sales tax receipts have increased slightly.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2015. Disbursements are budgeted to decrease \$ 81,852 from the fiscal year 2014 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the Utility's budgeted cash balance is expected to increase approximately \$ 190,000 by the close of fiscal year 2015.

CONTACTING THE UTILITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to present our customers and creditors with a general overview of the Utility's finances and to show the Utility's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report, or need additional financial information, contact: Ron Benke, Utility Manager; 320 1st Avenue West, PO Box 400; Cascade, Iowa 52033-0400.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) CASH BASIS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET POSITION

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Disbursements	Program Receipts Charges For Service	Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Position Business Type Activities
Functions/Programs:			
Business type activities:			
Electric	\$ 1,965,249	1,904,349	(60,900)
Gas	1,062,581	1,191,944	129,363
Total business type activities	\$ 3,027,830	3,096,293	68,463
General Receipts:			
Unrestricted interest on investmen	nts		17,460
Miscellaneous			106,792
Total general receipts			124,252
Change in cash basis net position			192,715
Cash basis net position beginning of y	/ear		2,445,403
cush busis not position beginning of y	oar		22,113,103
Cash basis net position end of year			<u>\$ 2,638,118</u>
Cash Basis Net Position:			
Restricted:			
Nonexpendable:			
Utility deposits			\$ 59,510
Expendable:			
Debt service			197,540
Unrestricted			2,381,068
Total cash basis net position			<u>\$ 2,638,118</u>

See notes to financial statements.

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES PROPRIETARY FUNDS

As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Enterprise Funds		
	Electric	Gas	Total
Operating receipts:	# 1 00 1 2 10	1 101 044	2.006.202
Charges for service	\$ 1,904,349	1,191,944	3,096,293
Disbursements:	1 (00 205	1 010 000	0 (00 0(7
Business type activities	1,600,387	1,019,880	2,620,267
Excess of operating receipts over			
operating disbursements	303,962	172,064	476,026
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Non-operating receipts (disbursements):			
Interest on investments	6,428	11,032	17,460
Miscellaneous	95,433	7,253	102,686
Meter deposits, net	3,208	898	4,106
Capital projects	(169,960)	(42,701)	(212,661)
Debt service	(194,902)	0	(194,902)
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Net non-operating receipts (disbursements)	(259,793)	(23,518)	(283,311)
Net change in cash balances	44,169	148,546	192,715
Cash balances beginning of year	889,211	1,556,192	2,445,403
Cash balances beginning of year	007,211	1,550,192	2,445,405
Cash balances end of year	\$ 933,380	1,704,738	2,638,118
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Cash Basis Fund Balances:			
Restricted:			
Nonexpendable:	\$ 32,625	26,885	59,510
Utility deposits Expendable:	\$ 32,023	20,863	39,310
Debt service	197,540	0	197,540
Unrestricted	703,215	1,677,853	2,381,068
Omesaleted	103,213	1,077,055	2,501,000
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 933,380	1,704,738	2,638,118

See notes to financial statements.

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2014

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Cascade Municipal Utilities (the Utility) is a component unit of the City of Cascade, Iowa, as determined by criteria specified by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The Utility is governed by a three member board of trustees appointed by the City Council. The Utility provides electric and gas utilities for the citizens of Cascade.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Cascade Municipal Utilities has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The Utility has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Utility are such that exclusion would cause the Utility's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and [1] the ability of the Utility to impose its will on that organization or [2] the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Utility. The Utility has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statement - The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Utility. For the most part, the effect of interfund activities has been removed from this statement. Activities between the Utility and the primary government (City of Cascade) are reported as if they are external transactions and are classified separately from internal activities within the Utility.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position presents the Utility's nonfiduciary net position. Net position is reported in the following categories/components:

Nonexpendable restricted net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require the cash balance to be maintained permanently by the Utility, including customer deposits.

Expendable restricted net position results when constraints placed on the use of cash balances are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

Unrestricted net position consists of cash balances not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on cash balances imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Cash Basis Statement of Activities and Net Position demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a given function. Program receipts include 1] charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2] grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Note proceeds and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statement.

The Utility reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Enterprise, Electric Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the Utility's electric system.

The Enterprise, Gas Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the Utility's natural gas distribution system.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Cascade Municipal Utilities maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the Utility are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Other Information. During the year ended June 30, 2014, total disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted.

(2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The Utility's deposits in banks at June 30, 2014, were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The Utility is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Utilities Board; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered openend management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The Utility had investments in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust which are valued at an amortized cost of \$ 1,003 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - The Utility's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days, but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the Utility.

<u>Credit risk</u> - The Utility's investment in the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust is unrated.

(3) Notes Payable

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for revenue notes are as follows:

Year Ended	-	Electric Revenue Notes	
June 30,	_	Principal	Interest
2015		4.40.000	
2015	\$	140,000	57,540
2016		140,000	54,740
2017		145,000	51,660
2018		145,000	47,962
2019		150,000	43,758
2020-2024		835,000	137,602
2025	_	190,000	7,790
Total	\$_	1,745,000	401,052

The resolution providing for the issuance of the revenue notes include the following provisions:

- [a] The notes will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the electric utility and the note holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the utility. The notes are callable June 1, 2017 at par.
- [b] Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to an electric revenue note sinking account for the purpose of making the note principal and interest payments when due.
- [c] Additionally, \$ 197,540 has been set aside from the note proceeds to create a principal and interest reserve account. These funds are set aside for the purpose of making principal and interest payments when funds are not sufficient in the sinking account.

(4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The Utility contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan member and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS; P.O. Box 9117; Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 5.95% of their annual covered salary and the Utility is required to contribute 8.93% of covered salary. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The Utility's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2014, 2013, and 2012 were \$26,931 \$25,093, and \$23,532, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(5) Other Post-employment Benefits (OPEB)

<u>Plan Description</u> - The Utility operates a single-employer retiree benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug benefits for retirees and their spouses. There are 6 active members in the plan. Participants must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical/prescription drug benefits are provided through a fully-insured plan with Wellmark. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical/prescription drug benefits as active employees.

<u>Funding Policy</u> - The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the Utility.

The Utility finances the retiree benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis. The most recent active member monthly premiums for the Utility and plan members are \$ 322 for single coverage and \$ 732 for family coverage. For the year ended June 30, 2014, the Utility contributed \$ 44,248 and plan members contributed \$ 3,000.

(6) Compensated Absences

The Utility's employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the Utility until used or paid. The Utility's approximate liability for earned vacation termination payments payable to employees at June 30, 2014, primarily relating to the Electric Fund, is as follows:

Type of Benefit	Amount
Vacation	\$ 24,000
Vacation	<u>\$ 24,000</u>

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2014.

(7) Related Party Transactions

The Utility received \$ 111,138 for gas, electric and collection services from the City of Cascade for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

The Utility paid \$ 6,795 for shared supplies, repairs and copier to the City of Cascade for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

(8) Risk Management

Cascade Municipal Utilities is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The Utility assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks did not exceed commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years

(9) Concentration of Credit Risk

The Utility grants credit to its customers, all of whom are located in the municipal service area.

(10) Prospective Accounting Change

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has issued Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an amendment of GASB No. 27. This statement will be implemented for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments, which provide their employees with pension benefits, including additional note disclosures and required supplementary information.

OTHER INFORMATION

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) -

ALL PROPRIETARY FUNDS OTHER INFORMATION Year Ended June 30, 2014

		Proprietary		Budgeted to
		Funds	Budgeted	Actual
		Actual	Amounts	Variance
Receipts:				
Use of money and property	\$	17,460	21,170	(3,710)
Charges for service		3,096,293	2,844,792	251,501
Miscellaneous		106,792	36,150	70,642
Total receipts		3,220,545	2,902,112	318,433
Disbursements:				
Business type activities		3,027,830	2,942,396	(85,434)
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements		192,715	(40,284)	232,999
Other financing sources		192,713	190,000	(190,000)
Other inflationing sources	-	0	170,000	(170,000)
Excess of receipts and other financing				
sources over disbursements		192,715	149,716	42,999
Balances beginning of year		2,445,403	1,704,522	740,881
Balances end of year	<u>\$</u>	2,638,118	1,854,238	783,880
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See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to other information - budgetary reporting.

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA)

NOTES TO OTHER INFORMATION -BUDGETARY REPORTING Year Ended June 30, 2014

The budgetary comparison is presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Trustees annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except the Internal Service Fund. The approved budget is then presented to the Cascade City Council for final approval. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These nine functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Fund, the Permanent Fund and the Enterprise Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund.

During the year ended June 30, 2014, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the business type activity function.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Year Ended June 30, 2014

Obligation	Date of Issue	Interest Rates	Amount Originally Issued	Balance Beginning of Year
Revenue note:				
Electric	Jan. 27, 2011	1.75 - 4.10%	\$ 2,275,000	1,880,000
	Issued	Redeemed	Balance	
	During	During	End of	Interest
	Year	Year	Year	Paid
Revenue note: (contin	ued)			
Electric (continued	d) \$0	135,000	1,745,000	59,903

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) NOTE MATURITIES June 30, 2014

	Revenu	Revenue notes		
	Elec			
Year	Issued Jan	. 27, 2011		
Ending	Interest			
<u>June 30,</u>	Rates	Amount		
2015	2.00%	\$ 140,000		
2016	2.20	140,000		
2017	2.55	145,000		
2018	2.90	145,000		
2019	3.15	150,000		
2020	3.40	155,000		
2021	3.60	160,000		
2022	3.75	165,000		
2023	3.90	175,000		
2024	4.00	180,000		
2025	4.10	190,000		
Total		\$ 1,745,000		

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Trustees of the Cascade Municipal Utilities:

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business type activities and each major fund of Cascade Municipal Utilities, component unit of the City of Cascade, Iowa as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related Notes to Financial Statements which collectively comprise the Utility's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2015. Our report expressed unmodified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, a basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Cascade Municipal Utilities' internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Cascade Municipal Utilities' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Cascade Municipal Utilities' internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Utility's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control

that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Cascade Municipal Utilities' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters which are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Utility's operations for the year ended June 30, 2014 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the Utility. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Cascade Municipal Utilities' Responses to Findings

Cascade Municipal Utilities' responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Cascade Municipal Utilities' responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Utility's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> in considering the Utility's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the Cascade Municipal Utilities during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

Elkader, Iowa

January 9, 2015

Dietz, Donald & Company

Certified Public Accountants

FEIN 42-1172392

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS Year Ended June 30, 2014

Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

No material weaknesses were identified

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

No matters were noted.

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS Year Ended June 30, 2014

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

II-A-14 <u>Certified Budget</u> - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2014 exceeded the amount budgeted in the business type activity function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states, in part, "Public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."

<u>Recommendation</u> - The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

<u>Response</u> - Disbursements in the gas fund were higher than budgeted because of the extremely cold winter. The budget will be amended in the future, if applicable.

<u>Conclusion</u> - Response accepted.

- II-B-14 <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements that we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- II-C-14 <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of Utility money for travel expenses of spouses of Utility officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to Utility officials or employees were noted.
- II-D-14 <u>Business Transactions</u> No business transactions between the Utility and Utility officials were noted.
- II-E-14 <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of Utility officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- II-F-14 <u>Board Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the board minutes but were not.

CASCADE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES (COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF CASCADE, IOWA) SCHEDULES OF FINDINGS Year Ended June 30, 2014

- II-G-14 <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the Utility's investment policy were noted.
- II-H-14 <u>Revenue Notes</u> No instances of non-compliance with the revenue note resolutions were noted.
- II-I-14 <u>Electronic Check Retention</u> Chapter 554D.114 of the Code of Iowa allows the Utility to retain cancelled checks in an electronic format and requires retention in this manner to include an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check. The Utility does not receive an image of the back of each cancelled check.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The Utility should obtain and retain images of both the front and back of cancelled checks as required by Chapter 554D.114 of the Code of Iowa.

Response - We will contact the bank to begin doing this.

Conclusion - Response accepted.